

28 Mt. Auburn St., Cambridge, Mass.
Nov. 5. 1895.

Mr. H. H. Manning,
Brookline, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Answering yours of Oct. 8, I would say that I have been West during the summer and failed to collect much in Massachusetts, but I have the following additions to "Reservations Flora":

Osmorrhiza longistylis, Beaver Brook, June 11.

Riccia fluitans, L. " "

Chara fragilis, Desv. " " upper pond.

Nitella flexilis, Ag. " "

Another, probably Nitella mucronata, A. Br., immature, was ^{also} found there.

Chara coronata, A. Br. var. Schweiniizii, A. Br. should also be found in one or more of the parks as it is common in this region.

I shall be glad to determine any Characeae for the "Flora".

Nuphar advena, Ait. var. minus, Morong, should appear in the list as the variety is far more common than the type here.

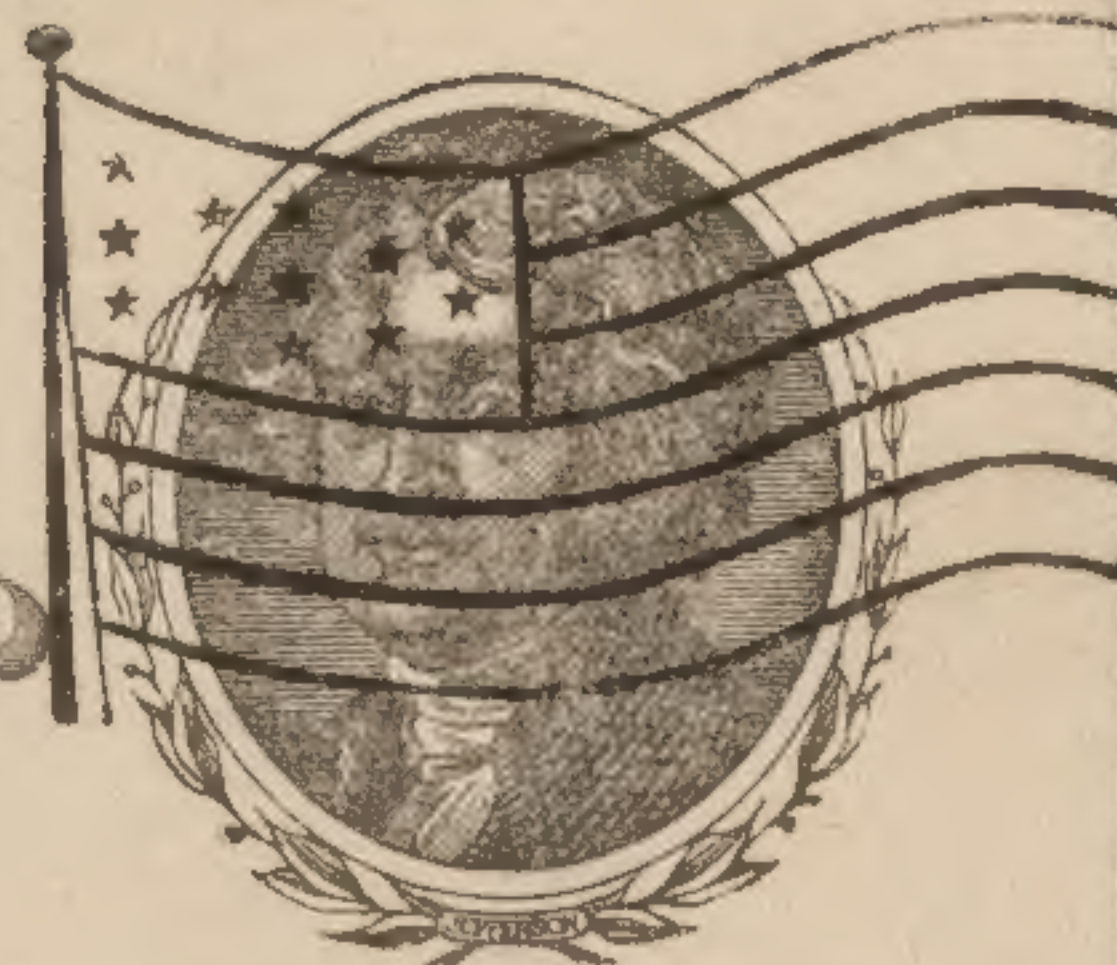
Very Truly,

J. W. Blankinship.

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Mr. Walter Deane,

7 Brewster St.,

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir: -

I have noted the following on Beaver
Brook Reservation:

Osmorhiza longistylis, D.C.
Riccia fluitans, L.

Characeae.

Chara fragilis, Desv. In the upper pond.
Nitella flexilis, Ag. In Beaver Brook.
Nitella mucronata, A. Br. In Beaver Brook.
J.W. Blankinship.



Office of the Factory
Boston Rubber Shoe Company.

Malden, Mass. Aug 29 1894

Dear Mr. Manning

I expect to be away from home
later day, & shall not be able to attend
the Blue Hill meeting, though I should
certainly be there, if at home.

I have not attempted to collect flowering
plants, but you may add the following to
the list of herbarium specimens

Lechea tenuifolia Fells

" *intermedia* "

~~*racemulosa*~~

Sagittaria graminea "

Mikania scandens Beaver Brook.

The last named I collected last Sunday;
it grew in a dense mass, covering quite
an area; I had never seen it in such
profusion before.

Very truly

Frank S. Collins

✓
acknowledged

Malden Mass May 5. 1895

Dear Mr. Gunning.

I have sent you the Metr. Reser. Flora cards by express: you may find it rather a meagre account, but I hope it will be of some use. I have noted those species of which there is a specimen in the M. I. Herb, collected within the limits: undoubtedly there are many others so collected, but as the label reads merely Malden, Melrose, Medford or Stoneham, I cannot be sure of it. I think I have put my initials (or rather JH, which is supposed to represent my initials) on all the cards.

The algae I retain, as I didn't understand that you would use them in the preliminary list. If you want them, you can have them at any time.

As to abbreviation J = Jell
f = frequent: the other will explain

themselves, I think.

Very truly

Frank S. Collins

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Walter Deane Esq

Cambridge

Mass

97 Dexter St., Malden Mass ^{5/1/96}

Dear Mr. Deane.

Barbarea stricta
certainly grows in the Fells. Whether
B. vulgaris also grows there I can't say,
as I did not give special attention.
But I am sure of *B. stricta*

Very truly

Frank A. Collins

97 Dexter St. Malden '1/26/96

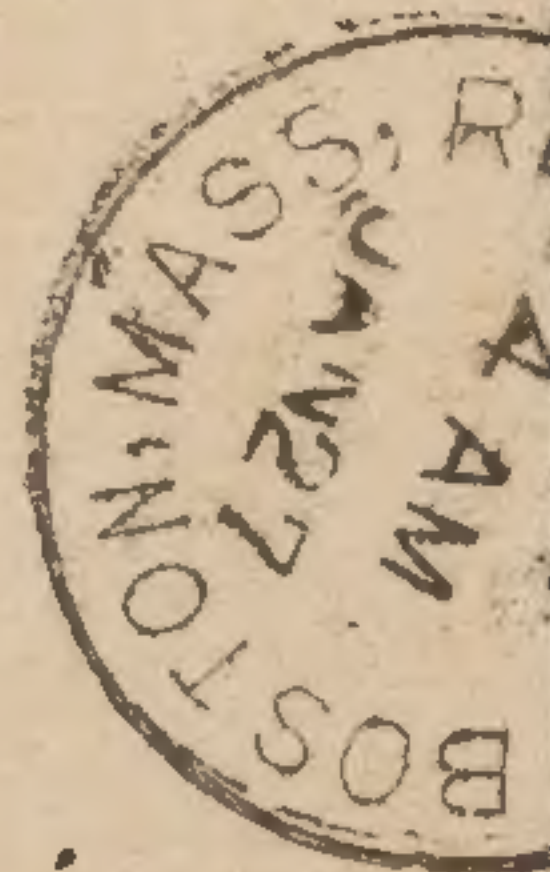
✓
Dear Mr. Deane

The Hieracium
Marianum is from Middlesex Fells,
near Bear's Den Path.

Excuse me to omit it

Very truly

✓
Frank S. Collins



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Walter Deane Esq.

9 Brewster St.

Cambridge
Mass.

Dorchester Jan. 15, 1896
Dear Walter:-

Last evening I was pleasantly surprised to find that a Muhlenbergia, wh. I collected on the edge of the Blue Hills Reservation last Sept., was M. diffusa! I inclose a sample in confirmation. I have never collected it before, so it was not in my herbarium -

Now I have labelled it from "Braintree, at edge of the B. H. Reservation."

It was not quite in the line -
its, but so near that I might easily throw a stone from the spot within the line -
It was very abundant where.

I found it & there is little
doubt that it is abundant
in the Park & is found
there - possibly it may
be our young *Proterodon*
variety from some one - like
I thought I would tell you
the fact & you can now
tell it or not or you
think best -
It grows in the locality where
your *Desman* was found
which was Rich had re-
ported as found in the Park
& I was in fact looking for
Desman when I collected
the *Desman* - But I think
in the vicinity of the Park -
I suppose you have very many
rich you for my check a few
days ago! Yours ever
G. R. C. Lawrence

I find I have many things for B. H. Rees
I am. 27, 1896.

On a late map of B. H. Rees you
will see "Proposed B. H. Parkway"
extending from the Park proper
to Canton Ave. The 1st half, to
Harland St. is already taken
& included in the Park, the half
which includes H. St. has not
yet been formally "taken" -
My later speculation I took
beside the lower little pond
shown on the map in the part
of Parkway not yet taken -
It is therefore doubtful whether
it should go in the list.
Hitching & H. ciliaris was not from
the Reservation - I think he got
it in Radham or Sharon near
the Four Meadows, from what he
once told me -
I think Dr. Goodale was with
me when I saw the Erythronium
at B. H. & I think showed
them to me - We walked over
the Hill & coll'd. Pogonia var.
lucida etc. I guess he never
saw it - Ask him about it.
20 y. ago! Quite a lot of it then

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Mr. Walter Deane

9 River St

Cambridge

Mass

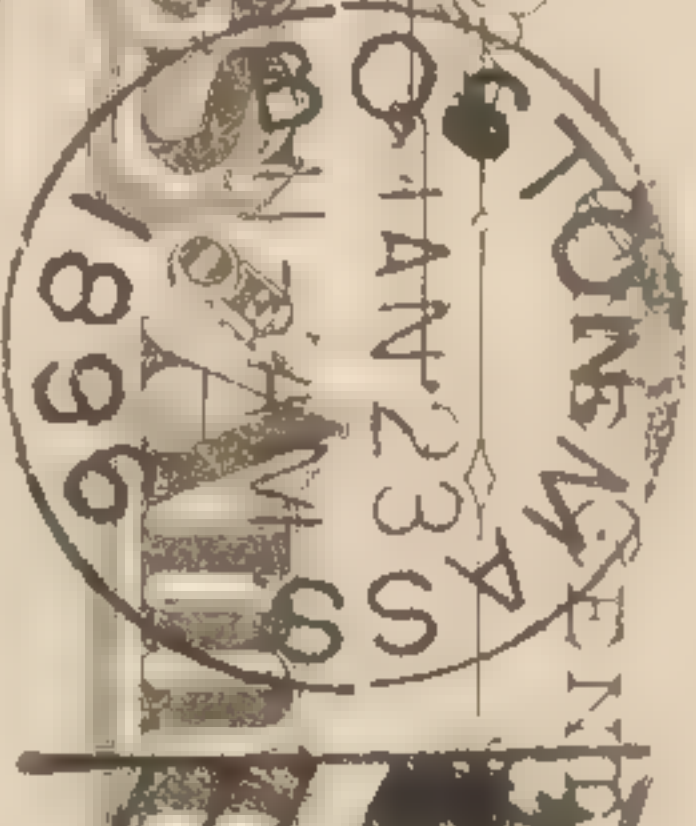
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Mr Walter Dean
18 Bowers St
Cambridge
Mass

DECADES OF NORTH AMERICAN LICHENS.

Clara E. Cummings, Wellesley, Mass.

A. B. Seymour, Cambridge, Mass.

~~Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass., Dec. 31. 1885.~~

375 Mason St.

Mr. Walter D. Howe:

Dear Sir,

Your note has been
forwarded to me here - I return to
Wellesley in a week or so and
will then examine the Lichen
which you have sent out and
report my list. I want to plan-
ise with the Feltz next spring.

With the good wishes of the
society -

Very truly yours.

Clara E. Cummings.

WELLESLEY COLLEGE,
WELLESLEY, MASS.

Feb. 6. 96.

Mr. Walter Heane.

I send with this manuscript
for the Lecture list of the M. Paul
Fleet. which I have left for you
to do according to the system which
you may adopt -

If you wish me to correct this
proof I ^{must} let me have it soon,
as I hope to start on my California
trip in two or three weeks.

The list numbers 35 now
is against 7 in the other two.
I could easily double it - if I

Could tolerate with - Fells.

Very sincerely,

Robert. Cumming.

Please write

urgent

Walter Deane

about auth. for Endocarpus miniaturum
& include this or tell him no books at M2 give
me satisfaction on this point. A 33

BOTANICAL DEPARTMENT
OF
WELLESLEY COLLEGE.

STONE HALL, WELLESLEY, MASS.,

Feb. 26. 1896.

Dear Mr. Cleve:

In answer to the enclosed
note from Mr. Seymour I would
say that I should write

Endocarpus hepaticum. Ach.

Lez. Ach. in the Lichen Flora of

Great Britain gives the authority

as L. referring to Linn. ^v/₆. Pl. 50.

(1762).

Schizium in Meth. Lichen.

(803) give the combination,

Endocarpus minutum, referring to

Linn. Lichen minutus. Perhaps

L. & would appear in Fungus

but I have followed the Monograph

the Lichenibus Inducapere

by S. Burroughs - in writing

see.

Pardon this delay - but I have
been away from the city.

On Tuesday next I shall
be back home.

~~Very truly yours,~~

Wm. L. Burroughs

in package for reser-
vation' come in good
form. Have not yet
found time to examine
it.

Shall I keep the ad-
ditional set of cards you
have sent me for use
from term to term, or
return them?

Shall be glad to answer
any questions so far as I
am able.

Yours very truly,

L. L. Danner

Welford, 9-II-'98

My dear Manning,

I am as much
a disappointment to myself as
to my friends in the fact I
have taken or rather not taken
in the determination of the
reservation. Flora. I had intended
to give considerable time to
tramping about, verifying my
impression, during the long summer
vacation; but I found
myself pretty well played out
at the beginning of it, and
after a short sojourn at
the seashore, betook myself
to the woods of Northern Maine.
When I came back, a very
hard year of work opened,
so that I have not made
a single tramp into the Fells.

Collins sent me awhile ago
all the cards in this set re-
lating to trees - a few others
have got mixed ^{in with them} yesterday
and today I have been con-
fined to the house by a cold.

and have given over the
time reserved from cutting to
an inspection of the lands.

Now all my notes relate
exclusively to the Middlesex
Fells. I am sure I have
put in nothing that does not
grow there; I wish I were equally
sure I have left nothing out,
but I am wrong on the right
side. Of course trees and plants
that grow on the edge of the
reservation presumably grow
within it, but in a creek of
this kind no guess-work is
tolerable.

You recall the corner, ~~from~~
triangular in shape, south
of the Winchester reservoir and
west of Pine Hill (which ought
to be in the Reservation
but isn't). In this corner
grow *Quercus Prinus*, *Sambucus*
Americana, *Lonicera pen-*
sylvanica and *Pinus resino-*
sa — and so far as I
have ever seen, they are

not in the Reservation at
all. Perhaps some fact of
this kind might, if published,
induce a search for these
trees within our limits.

I have not yet seen
barbary specimens — I
have done nothing of that
kind for many the past
year, from lack of time.

It does not seem to me
that specimens of the white
oak, for example, need be
sought for in a terry. They
will stay for years, if ^{care} taken,
and far less dry, fringed;
but if there are any espe-
cial trees of which you wish
to get barbary specimens,
write me, and I will see
what I can do.

I haven't often been able
to locate plants in the Little
Squares laid out, but have
tried to several features.

ing within the two classes
afterwards mentioned by me
here, I have thought best to
entirely omit from the list
made by myself even tho'
it, for the present includes
such common things as
Rosa Carolina - R. lucida
Saxifraga Penn. - Mikania
Aster multiflorus & diffusus
Pontederia & (forsooth!) Dan-
cus Carota - all which, &
many other equally com-
mon, we all know are
likely to be found within
the limits of our territory.

I have made but few ex-
ceptions to this rule, where
(as in the case of Habenaria
tridentata) I have a defin-
ite recollection of both spe-
cies and locality, but my
specimen, (collected within
the limits) had not been
preserved because it was
already abundantly repre-
sented in my Herbarium &
or had been given away -

The only other plants which
I have allowed in my list
are those actually and care-
fully observed "in the field"
last summer, as follows:-
June 10, armed with the
printed "Check list of the
Plants of Gray's Manual
I spent the day upon and
about "Flowers Hill" in
W. Quincy, including the bor-
der of the Forest Swamp
which bounds its N. E. base,
and noted all the plants
seen, in any case of doubt
bringing home enough of
the plant for verification.
More than 100 species were
marked that day & are so
dated & designated by the
general locality "Flowers
Hill" in my list - That
day I had the great pleas-
ure of the company of my
friend Mr. Deane of Cam-

bridge, & all doubt as to correct determination of the names of that date, is removed!

June 18, I was able to pass another day in the W. Quincy Hills - This time with Dr. Webster of E. Milton - and the names so dated in my list are also confirmed by him -

Aug. 5, I spent a few hours about, and upon the top of Hancock Hill in Milton, & again noted upon the check list both new and old names, and on two days in Sept. I explored the vicinity of the Blue Hill River, below Randolph Av. & "within the lines", adding many names, mostly of familiar plants, to the "check list" & hence to these "notes" -

through it, to discover what a large number of species are represented by individuals labelled "Blue Hills; West Quincy, Mass." Most of the plants, therefore, which I have noted in the Catalog, are so indicated upon the card; "In Herb." referring to a specimen in my own herbarium, the locality being added in abbreviated form -

On the other hand it of course happens that many of the most familiar and common plants - often represented in my Herbarium by specimens collected in Milton and Dorchester - are ^{yet} not represented by specimens from within the Reservation, or which I could say were taken there -

Such plants (unless com-

I was sorry that I was unable to join the Botanists in their excursions through the Hills last summer. From its nearness to my home in Dorchester the Blue Hill region, & particularly that part of it East of Randolph Avenue in Milton and in Quincy, has been for years the wild country to which I could most quickly & easily escape for communion with Nature's visible forms - I have become thus very familiar with the narrow wood roads, the forests and the rocky hills. For nearly fifteen years I have collected plants and preserved them carefully in an Herbarium of standard size & exclusively plants of my own collection, and it is really surprising to me now, in going carefully

To recapitulate therefore my names are
I -

Those of plants represented by a specimen in my Herbarium, with date & locality - II -

Those of plants, mostly common here, actually noted and carefully verified not alone by me but in most cases by Mr. Deane & Dr. Webster also -

This class, also of course, includes names occurring in the first class, above!

III -

A few plants known by me to grow in the limits but not "noted" last summer, or backed by specimens -

In some instances I have used names for localities which are probably my own, or known to but few persons - I must commend as one such name (given by Dr. Webster) the very appropriate "Crag", applied to the rough precipitous hill just West of the Quarries or "Rattlesnake Hill"; whence came many botanical Treasures -

Another season will doubtless largely increase our list, and I shall try to make myself further useful -

Yours very truly
J. R. Churchill

P.S. - Of course I shall be glad to submit my specimens to those in authority at any time, for verification
J. R. C.

Dorchester, Feb. 13, 1895.

Mr. Warren H. Manning
Dear Sir: -

I have the pleasure - at last - to return to you herewith the Card Catalog which you sent me, with my notes showing the plants which I have collected in the Blue Hills Reservation; and, in a few exceptional instances, in the Middlesex Fields. I have not undertaken to do much more than to enumerate the plants which grow there within my observation with the use, in addition, of the four abbreviations "c. - f. - a. & r." which seem to me to denote, with sufficiency, the frequency of occurrence of each species -

Other specimens are of
common plants.

I send herewith a
list of trees and shrubs
in the Falls contributed
by Geo. F. Perry. I wrote
to Mr. Perry with regard
to *Pyraea Americana*. I
should prefer to see a
specimen before putting
in on the list, though
it may be correct.

With regard to *Populus*
balsamifera, probably
var. canadensis was omitted
by accident. Of course the
type is not found in
the reservation.

I have waited to
hear from Mr. Perry,

Mudford, 16-XII-95.

My dear Dean,

I appreciate the
task you have in hand, and
am sorry to have given
you trouble by any lack of
explicitness. You have now
all the facts in re *P. lam-
bricifolia*. It is infrequent,
but not hard to find. I
can guide you to several
trees less than four miles
from your house.

With regard to those
herbarium sheets, they are
none of my contribution,
not even in the package
with the others in the
package; if not in the
last package, in a pre-
vious one from Mr. Man-

ring. There can be no
doubt about it, for I have
received sheets from no
other quarter. I had the
impression that some of
them at least were making
in the ^{left hand} corner with the
name or initial of the
reservator, and with
the date. Am I wrong?

S, I think, was the
letter,

I have been careless
enough to leave out of
the package which I
sent you four sheets
2 without labels, marked S
and 2 with labels, from
the Fells, ~~corrected~~.

by some one unknown.
We must have laid
them aside, and
forgotten them in the
hurry of doing up the
package. One from the
north end of the North
Armistock reservoir is
marked *Salix petiolaris*. ^{must}
As I have no specimen
in my herbarium,
I am unwilling to stand
sponsor for it, but I
presume it is named
correctly. I will send
them ~~at once~~ at once,
unless you have *Salix*
petiolaris ahead, from
the Fells, in which case
it would be ~~leaving~~
be worth while, as the

but as he has not yet
written, I send this list
along without further
delay. I will notify
you in case he writes.

I hope the adventive
plants will be clearly
distinguished in the
public list. If I thought
it worth while, it would
be easy to add a score
of names of plants
growing about two or
three ancient cellars
within the Reservation,
such as catnip, Ran-
unculus &c. &c.

Mr. Collins called

This evening and gave
an account of the
meeting at Dr. Farlow's.
The formation of an
acquaintance with you
was one of the pleasant
incidents of the occasion.
There were, it seems, other
pleasures usually
denied members of an
staff profession. I am
very glad you have
that too, and I wish
he could find suffi-
cient inducement to
publish his Manual
of the New England Agar.
He is competent author.

ity, and Farlow is not
of print, books, being
rather in technical for
amateurs in algology.

I am really sorry
I couldn't be present
myself.

Yours very truly,
L. L. Danner

Medford 22-XII-95.

My dear Dean,
will send sheets
by express - should reach
you tomorrow.

Mr. Perry writes me - "I am
not a botanist, last spring
was the first time I ever
tried to identify trees and
shrubs, and all that I have
named, I did so by an ex-
amination of their foliage."
Will write me again more
fully, he says. I should
certainly throw out Populus
balsamifera and Pyrus
americana till such time
as I am satisfied, or
somebody else is satisfied,
with specimens adduced.
It is probable that the
rest of his list is correct.

I have seen repeatedly
all the others growing in
this vicinity - Of course I
can't swear they ^{are} all within
the reservation lines.

I noticed on the list
Mr. Manning sent me
- I think from the Blue
Hills Reservation, but can
not see - Acer sacchar-
inum, var. nigrum T. & G.

I should like to know
who has passed upon the
specimen, and where
the tree is located? Do
you know where it
can be found in New
England, outside of western
Vermont? I have just

written Fernald, as it is
found in the Portland
Cat. It has been reported
to me from every state
in New England, but I
have never seen a spec-
imen save from the Champlain
region -

Sargent says it ranges
from Lake Champlain
westward, ignoring its
existence elsewhere in N.
E.

I have asked Fernald
to look over the sheets
in the Gray Herbarium

I hope to see you
use of these coming evening
days - Yours very truly

L. L. Darner

Medford, Feb. 2, 1896.

My dear Dean,

You have struck
me in a very weak
spot. I know next to
nothing of the Felt's willows,
of the introduced kinds.

I know willows - alba and
vitellina especially, but they
are of no good to you, &
they are outside the res-
ervation. By the way,

the enormous willow
figured on the last page
of typical Elms, Mr. Robb
pronounced peuce fragilis.

Yours as ever.

L. L. Dummer.

Dear Mr. Deane:

The Board on the
the expenditure, estimating
it at 350. dollars.

I think 100 copies
ought to be, ~~inter~~ ~~changed~~
and supplied with the maps.

This will cost something
which you had better ascertain
and then let the spacing be,
considered, as not according
up the appropriation will it
hold out or not.

Yours truly,

Charles Shott

11 Mar.

OLMSTED, OLMSTED & ELIOT,
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS.

EDWARD D. BOLTON,
SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION.

WARREN H. MANNING,
SUPERINTENDENT OF PLANTING.

BROOKLINE, MASS. February 24th, 1896'

Mr. Walter Dean,

9 Brewster St., Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir;- I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated February 22nd, concerning the flora of the Metropolitan Reservation. I shall take the first opportunity of bringing the question of the printing of the flora to the attention of the Metropolitan Park Commission. The Commission meets next Wednesday, and, of course, I shall make every effort to get the document printed at the earliest possible date. It had been the Commission's intention to print it with their annual report and one or two of the Commissioners have, at different times, questioned me as to the progress of the work, but the report had to go to press early in January and so that opportunity was unavoidably lost.

Yours truly,



OLMSTED, OLMSTED & ELIOT,
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS.

EDWARD D. BOLTON,
SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION.

WARREN H. MANNING,
SUPERINTENDENT OF PLANTING.

BROOKLINE, MASS.

March 10th, 1896.

Mr. Walter Deane,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir;- Your note dated March 8th is at hand. Mr. Manning told me that you expected to add to the manuscript which he showed me some fifteen or twenty pages, so that the total number of manuscript pages would amount to the number which, as Barrows estimated it for us, made the cost of printing and binding in paper covers about \$200. I have forgotten the exact figuring, but I know that the appropriation ordered by the Metropolitan Commission was \$200 and I hope you will certainly be able to keep within that sum.

Yours truly,

Charles Eliot.

per S.S.

30²
180

250

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LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS.

EDWARD D. BOLTON,
SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION.

WARREN H. MANNING,
SUPERINTENDENT OF PLANTING.

BROOKLINE, MASS. March 16th, 1898.

Walter Deane, Esq.,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir;- I have received your two notes of March 13th. Please note that we expect you to contrive so as to get your hundred copies bound with the maps and your fifty copies interleaved all within the appropriation of \$350 made by the Commission.

As to the question of admitting notes on plants or lists of plants to the printed volume, I hope you will make a strict rule to admit nothing that is not reliably ascertained to have been found within the bounds of at least one of the reservations. No lists ought to be printed or made a part of the book which do not specifically mention the reservation or the reservations within which the species mentioned has been found. Indeed, I think you ought to be very cautious about admitting any species which are not supported by actual specimens. This I know to be the view of the Commissioners and the rule ought to be strictly enforced. I am authorized to speak for the Commission in this matter, because our firm were directed by vote of the Commission to cause botanical work to be begun and the printed lists to be prepared.

Yours truly,



OLMSTED, OLMSTED & ELIOT,
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS.

EDWARD D. BOLTON,
SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION.

BROOKLINE, MASS.

WARREN H. MANNING,
SUPERINTENDENT OF PLANTING.

April 7th, 1896.

Mr. Walter Deane,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir;- I thank you for your note dated April 6th. Would you kindly send me your draft of a preface, or if you are to be in town tomorrow, you might perhaps hand it to me at the office of the Park Commission in the afternoon. The extract from the records of the Park Commission might perhaps be print by themselves on the back of the title page. I should not suppose that the preface itself might occupy more than one page, but of this we can talk perhaps tomorrow.

Yours truly,

Charles Olmsted & Eliot

Dec. 28 1894

My dear Sir,

I enclose a list of such mosses as I have found in the Reservation. The list is far from representing the moss-flora of the region, but may serve as a basis for further investigation.

I return the cards and maps. I have not had time to go through them, and I could hardly add any things that Mr. Kidder, Dr. Kennedy and others have not found. The only things I think of at present worth mentioning are

! *Polygonum Virginianum*

! *Carallorhiza odontorhiza*

both from Muddy Pond woods.

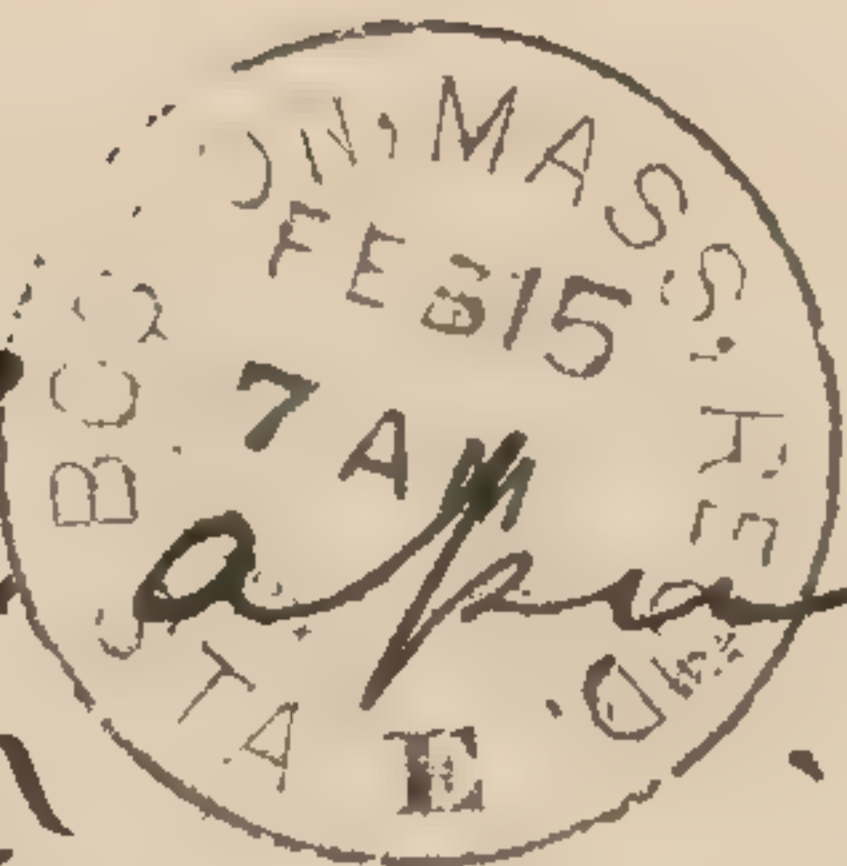
If I could see your preliminary list I could soon tell whether there is anything I could add.

Yours very truly C. E. Faxon

Dear Mr. Leane

I found J. A. Cross
at the Crossman Farm, in
company with Mr. Kidden if
I remember aright.

I am to spend Sunday with
him and will consult him on
the subject, but if you don't hear
to the contrary you may think it
is all right. Sincerely C. E. Faxon



POSTAL CARD - ONE CENT

United States of America

THIS SIDE IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Walter Deane Eng.
Brewster St.,
Cambridge,
Mass.

317 Samartine St.
Lancaster Plain, Dec. 28. 95

Dear Mr. Deane

I gave the manual names.
I find that we have in herb.
L. major, Michx.

L. maritima, Leggett

L. intermedia, "

L. tenuifolia, Michx.

all from Stony Brook
Reservation, But I can't

easily lay hands on any
duplicates at present.

Sincerely yours

Edwin Huxon

GRAY HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Jan. 31.

1896.

My dear Mr. Deane;

I have been having
colds - and have not been at the
herb. for some days. Hence my long
neglect of your note.

Yes, I got Carex laxiflora, var. striatula
at Beaver Brook. We have spec.
Th. L. F.

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Mr. Walter Deane,
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SUPERINTENDENT OF PLANTING.

BROOKLINE, MASS.

April 4th, 1896.

Mr. Walter Deane,
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir;- How does the printing get along? At the next meeting I propose to ask the Board whether they wish to make the book an official publication or not,- whether the title page should read-

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Metropolitan Park Commission
Bulletin No. 1

FLORA
of the
Public Reservations (controlled by)
the
Metropolitan Park Commission.

Preliminary Edition
1896

or the same with the top lines left off. It might, at all events, be well to have the introduction start off as follows:-

Extract from the records of the meeting of the metropolitan park commission held January 26th, 1894.

"Ordered;- that the landscape architects (Messrs. Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot) be authorized to incur an expense not ex-

Deane- 2.

ceeding \$500 for preparing a botanical flora of the reservations"

Extract from the records of the meeting of the metropolitan park commission held June 12th, 1895.

"Ordered;- that the sum of \$250 be appropriated to continue the botanical work in the reservations until January 1st, 1896; said work to be under the direction of the landscape architects".

Extract from the records of the meeting of the metropolitan park commission held February 28th, 1895.

"Ordered;- that a thousand copies of the list prepared by Prof. Walter Deane be printed and bound in paper covers at an expense not exceeding \$200".

Extract from the records of the meeting of the metropolitan park commission held March 11th, 1895.

"Ordered;- that the appropriation for printing the flora of the reservations be increased from \$200 to \$350".

And then some account of the growth of the work- how Mr. Manning of our office organized the botanical explorations, started the collections, etc. and how you edited the results. After the meeting on Wednesday I shall write you again.

Yours truly,

Charles Eliot.